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CHRISTMAS TERM.

- Sept. 2, Wednesday—Examinations for admission to College.
Sept. 3, Thursday—Term begins at 5 o'clock P.M.
Nov. 26, Thursday—Thanksgiving.
Dec. 23, Wednesday—Christmas vacation—two weeks.

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EASTER TERM.

- Jan. 6, Wednesday—Term begins at 5 o'clock P.M.
Feb. 22, Monday—Celebration of Washington's Birth-day.
March 18, Thursday—Easter vacation—two weeks.

TRINITY TERM.

- April 1, Thursday—Term begins at 5 o'clock P.M.
May 6, Thursday—Ascension Day. No recitations.
June —, ———, Senior Class day.
June 16, Wednesday—Examinations begin.
June 20, Sunday—Baccalaureate Sermon.
June 21, Monday—Examinations for admission to College.
June 22, Tuesday—Annual Oration before Phi Beta Kappa.
June 23, Wednesday—Kenyon Alumni Dinner.
June 23, Wednesday—Annual Oration before the Literary Societies.
June 24, Thursday—Commencement.

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- Sept. 1, Wednesday—Examinations for admission to College.
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SALUTATION.

HAIL! Friends, Alumni, Faculty, Students, Citizens of Gambier, and even "Barbs," hail! as "Seventy-Five" passes away from the arena of intellectual strife, and the curtain of the past rolls down behind us upon the scenes of our college days. As our sometime friend Horace remarks, "*Collegisse juvat, it is pleasant to have gone through College*," and we of the Senior class agree fully with the old man. Our course has been a peculiar one, in that we have witnessed more changes in the College and town than falls to the lot of most classes; but, on the whole, we can truly say that Kenyon is better able to give a liberal education to men than when we entered College. We have a good Faculty, and our Alumni seem to be somewhat awakening from their Rip Van Winkle sleep. The railroad and our town newspaper appear to be arousing the good people of Gambier to a realizing sense of their lack of enterprise, and the day may not be far distant when our little "Hill" will be alive with active business men. Good people of Gambier, accept the thanks of "Seventy-Five" for untold kindnesses. When we came here as strangers you took us in, how literally, and when we leave we shall repay you by giving you subjects for discussion that will last, we hope, till "Seventy-Six" goes off. Fellow Seniors, our day is nearly done, and we can point to a past that has ne'er been disturbed by the quarrels and spites common to most classes. May the remainder of our course be fraught with the same good feeling as heretofore. Yet ere we loose our cable for the voyage of time, whose haven is eternity, it would be a sad mistake did we not bestow upon the under classes a few words of advice. "*Facilis descensus averni, 'tis but a step from the sublime to the ridiculous*," and the transition

from Seniors to Freshmen, though seemingly abrupt, is most natural and easy.

Freshmen! You have just entered College, and you above all others need the warning which only Seniors can give. Stand together as a class, shun the advice of Sophomores, and be not discouraged because you have given no evidence of ability in any direction. Remember that better men than you were once Freshmen; and above all, when you are tempted "to cut" church or recitations, do not distort veracity, but remember the example of the great and good G. Washington and *his little hatchet that could not tell a lie*.

Sophomores! You who know more than you will ever know again, do not think that because you "rushed" a class one half your size, you are any better than they. You display too much dignity for your position, and it is doubtful if Kenyon can hold some of you as Juniors. "Twice two is four," and this axiom is no truer than that the Juniors are inferior to the Seniors.

Juniors! Strive to prepare yourselves for Senior dignity. Let your past, which consists mostly of lay figures and saw-dust, be forgotten; thus will you be able to act as becomes Seniors. Remember the example of your illustrious predecessors. Remember the hints we have thrown at you in the form of " H_2O ." and profit by them.

And now, kind friends, we offer you the Reveille. It is open to your criticism and censure, if deserving it. Remember that it is more of a publication of dry facts and names, than an exhibition of the literary talent of the editors. May it afford you pleasure in reading it, and we shall feel that our time was well spent.

EDITORIAL.

"We as Freshmen came to Kenyon
In a very verdant state;
Now we splurge along the campus,
Seniors stately and sedate."

How unfortunate it is that the name of the author of this touching verse has been lost to posterity. Its beauty of diction and depth of thought stamp it a production of the highest merit. Surely the knowledge of human nature, especially as displayed in the two classes of society mentioned, is wonderful. How more appropriately could you characterize a Freshman than as "verdant?" What so well could express Senior conceit as "splurge?" They seem right before us, swinging along in their upper-classmen state and sedateness. How real; how true to life. Some muse must have inspired this elegant and expressive stanza.

But we almost forgot in our raptures over the heaven-suggested rhyme, that we ourselves are Seniors, and "splurge" along in the proverbial stateliness (?) and conceit. Perhaps we had better show more class spirit. Oh, yes! '75 is an exception to the general rule. We exhibit to the admiring gaze of Freshmen and "Barbs" the real, original sedateness. We were only led to make the above observations on Seniors generally by our recollections of the last class, forgetting for the time that we had stepped into their boots. But the Senior and Editor is himself again—as the inquisitor of heretic Freshmen, the awe (?) as well as pride (?) of his fellow students. Classmates, forgive the momentary desertion, and know that we shall forever hereafter be loyal to '75.

Yes, it is no less strange than true that *we* are Seniors who, less than four years ago, proudly imagined ourselves almost at the

pinnacle of learning; who thought that every passing head which chanced to turn after us was attracted by the air and atmosphere of exalted learning which hovered around us and pervaded us.

Now we can look contemptuously on the follies of our verdant Freshmanhood, and unconcernedly and cold-bloodedly condemn the motes which obstruct the vision of our neighbor underclassmen, forgetting or ignoring the beams which were in our Freshmen eyes. But surely if there were any beams in our young eyes, they were *very* small, and almost invisible to ourselves at least, while the motes in the optics of succeeding classes have been very patent to all critical observers. '75 always was noted for surpassing all other classes in every way. It was always a matter of wonder to us that the Faculty did not sooner recognize our superior ability. We are confident that they show their preference this year—at least we can see it if no one else can. Since now we have blown our own trumpet, which preceding classes refused to do for us, we hand over the brazen instrument to '76. May they learn well its use, as it gives splendid exercise to the lungs, and sounds most joyfully the welcome, most pathetically the farewell, and most brazenly the notes of mutual admiration.

Perhaps a few remarks in general would not be out of place. How discouraging it is to us that after the heaps and mountains of labor last June, such a *ridiculus mus* as '78 should come forth. We went away from Gambier with our hopes for old Kenyon higher than they have been for a long time. The sad farewells of Commencement time were spoken in a more joyous spirit than usual. Our hearts were full of love for Alma Mater, our memories supplied with countless pictures of the beautiful spot and buildings of the "hill." We came back with the same love and hope, to find the same beauty, natural and artificial; but alas, how discouraging, a Freshman class which is almost lost out of sight in the chapel seats.

So, now we must keep up our hopes for the future by the thought that merit can not forever go unrewarded, nor can so bright a light as Kenyon be much longer concealed under a bushel. For

the present, our virtue must be its own reward. And surely we have cause to congratulate ourselves on the continued elevation of the standard of scholarship. In standard, if not in numbers, our motto is "Excelsior," and the snow and ice of want of appreciation should not prevent Kenyon's flag from floating as high as any.

What can the Reveille contribute to the future success of Kenyon? Oh! where is some Rhoderick Dhu, whose Reveille blast would be worth a thousand men. Alas! where is he! He must be the "coming man." Regularly once a year our Reveille tries to awaken our friends from their sleep of inactivity and indifference. With what success hitherto! Very little, we fear.

Will a louder blast awaken the sleepers? We have sounded the notes with all our power. To longer-winded men we commit the trust. If our efforts are unsuccessful, '76 has our best wishes for their triumph as buglers. Surely a class which has twice roused the "hill" with bore-day horns ought to have had sufficient practice in blowing to succeed well in setting their discordant notes to the tune of a Reveille.

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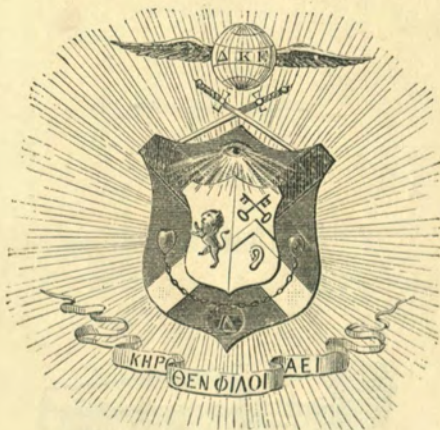


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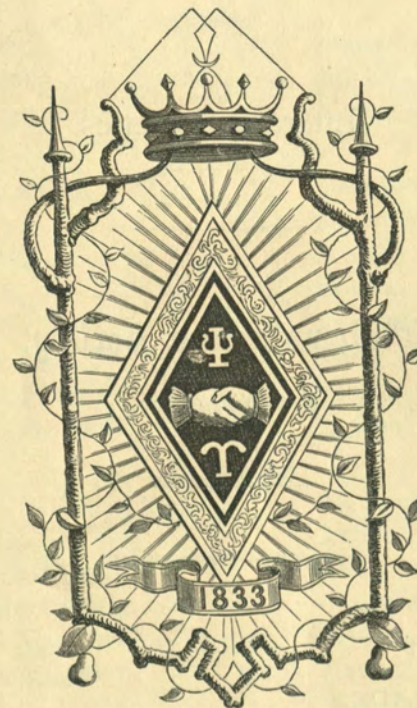
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LEVI, - - D. N. N.	NAPHTALI, - N. R. S.
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ISSACHAR, - N. L. S.	ZEBULON, - E. D. K.
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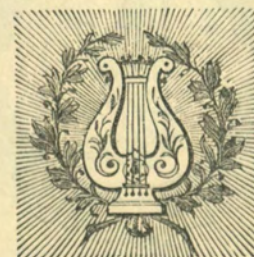
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Musical Organizations.

College Choir.

FRANK BLAKE,	- - - - -	ORGANIST.
LORIN HALL,	- - - - -	LEADER.
H. N. HILLS,	- - - - -	SOPRANO.
LORIN HALL,	- - - - -	TENOR.
H. H. SMYTHE,	- - - - -	BASS.

Arion Quartette.



FRED. T. PEET,	- - - - -	FIRST TENOR.
F. H. MORRISON,	- - - - -	SECOND TENOR.
H. H. SMYTHE,	- - - - -	FIRST BASS.
R. M. O'FERRALL,	- - - - -	SECOND BASS.

East Wing Serenaders.



LORIN HALL,	-	-	-	-	PRIMO TENORE.
F. P. WILSON,	-	-	-	-	TENORE SPLENDIDISSIMO.
H. N. HILLS,	-	-	-	-	SOPRANO AIRO.
C. W. MASON,	-	-	-	-	SOPRANO HIO.
C. C. FISHER,	-	-	-	-	ALTO ALTISSIMO.
S. B. AXTELL,	-	-	-	-	BASSO-WAY-DOWN-O.
R. M. O'FERRALL,	-	-	-	-	BASSO-THE-LAST-O.

Canditores Alae Occidentalis.



FRED. T. PEET,	-	Tenor.	W. W. TAYLOR,	-	Basso.
W. F. WEBB,	-	-	H. D. AVES,	-	Trillist.
C. M. POAGUE,	-	-	F. F. ROBERTS,	-	Alto.
N. N. BADGER,	-	-	C. W. COONS,	-	-

Kenyon Orchestra.

L. M. SCHAEFER,	-	-	-	-	First Violin and Leader.
C. M. POAGUE,	-	-	-	-	Second Violin.
C. DUN,	-	-	-	-	Flute.
C. W. COONS,	-	-	-	-	-
C. W. MASON	-	-	-	-	-
C. ROBERTS,	-	-	-	-	-
R. DYER,	-	-	-	-	-

Harcourt Organizations.

(SECRET FRATERNITIES.)

Phi Alpha.



H. H. REESE,
J. S. TIDBALL,
ED. MILLS,

D. C. SMYTHE,
C. F. WARLEY,
TOM VAN ANTWERP,

FRANK GREENE.

Pi Phi.

ALPHA CHAPTER.

"78."

HOWARD M. ADAE.

UNDERGRADUATES.

FRANK W. BLAKE,
ABNER L. FRAZER,

ANGUS DUN,
EDGAR W. HART,

FRANK T. WRIGHT.

List of Twenty-Second Orators

From the Philomathesian Society.

C. B. GUTHRIE	1859
SAMUEL GRIFFIN	1860
M. M. GILBERT	1861
A. V. GRISWOLD ALLEN	1862
W. R. POWELL	1863
W. P. BROWN	1864
G. H. SMITH	1865
J. J. MCCOOK	1866
G. G. DICKSON	1867
G. N. MEAD	1868
FLORIEN GIAUQUE	1869
W. P. ELLIOTT	1870
(No celebration)	1871
A. L. RALSTON	1872
L. C. STEWARDSON	1873
J. R. TURNEY	1874
W. W. TAYLOR	1875

List of Twenty-Second Orators

From the Nu Pi Kappa Society.

J. G. MITCHELL	1859
G. S. BENEDICT	1860
MURRAY DAVIS	1861
W. M. POSTLETHWAITE	1862
EDWARD DOLLOWAY	1863
GEORGE G. CARTER	1864
GEORGE J. PEET	1865
N. P. DANDRIDGE	1866
JAMES CAIRD	1867
A. B. STRONG	1868
A. L. HAYDEN	1869
LOUIS DECORMIS	1870
(No celebration)	1871
ALBERT DOUGLAS	1872
C. U. FOSDICK	1873
C. M. INGRAHAM	1874
R. M. O'FERRALL	1875

FAMILIAR QUOTATIONS.

JONAH.....	"Why should a man, whose blood is warm within, sit like his grandsire, cut in alabaster?"
HARLEM.....	"The reconstructed invalid."
BOMILCAR.....	"Soft as the fleeces of descending snow."
GREENSLADE.....	"He 's tough, ma'am, tough is J. M.; tough, but devilish sly."
POPE.....	"He had a face like a benediction."
BUSINESS.....	"I am Sir Oracle, and when I ope' my lips let no dog bark."
DYER.....	"He was for seven long years trying to extract sun-light from a cucumber."
MAC.....	"Then he will talk, great gods! how he will talk."
HILLS.....	"That lip new reaped, showed like a stubble-field at harvest home."
PAGE.....	"His speech a Baby-lonish dialect, which pedants much affect."
TID.....	"Speak, for thou long enough hast acted dumbly. Thou hast a tongue. Come, let us hear its tune."
COONEY.....	"This must be music, for I'm curst if each note of it doesn't run me through."
COLVILLE.....	"God made him, therefore let him pass for a man."
FATTY.....	"Drink, pretty creature, drink."
STANBERRY.....	"Oh! would I were dead now, or up in my bed now to cover my head now, and have a good cry."
THE GRACCHI.....	"Carey he was lord above, And Rob was lord below."
T. K. WILSON.....	"And we petty men walk under his huge legs."
M. S. WILSON.....	"Until his failing sight faints into dimness."
LHAMON.....	"But the old three-cornered hat and the breeches, and all that are so queer."
WRIGHT.....	"Grand, gloomy, and peculiar."
MONRO.....	} "And both were young, and <i>one</i> was beautiful."
C. M. ROBERTS.....	
SENIORS.....	"The remnant of the Old Guard."
JUNIORS.....	"We are now standing betwixt two seas—Mechanics and Calculus; we look with awe upon the future."
SOPHOMORES.....	"Uncouth youths, that even now protest their first of manhood."
FRESHMEN.....	"Parturiunt montes, nascitur ridiculus mus."

CHRONICLES.

In spite of the profound dissertations of professors, and the learned shakings-of-the head by sundry wiseacres, we must admit that '76 has reached the bottomless hole of total depravity. The violations of all good discipline, and the many heinous offenses as displayed by this class, puffed up with its own exaggerated ideas of its importance, stamp it as the most incorrigible class Kenyon has ever seen. One would think that after the previous advice administered by '74 they would have been more careful in the future. But, no. Fully feeling their oats, they have attempted to palm off on the College a trick not only mean but despicable.

One starry evening in May the students were roused from their peaceful and innocent slumbers by "sounds of revelry by night." Soon white-robed figures began to appear at windows, and what a scene was disclosed to their astonished gaze! Many a frightened face drew back blanched at the thought of the fate awaiting them. For, behold! in the uncertain starlight, robed, masked figures flitting about, and hark! strange, unknown cries of Ku-Klux-Klan, and what else but a man—and a Freshman at that—is the figure flying heavenward at the caballistic "Klan "

Awe inspired the spectators. Every eye was strained, every ear tingled. "Our tongues clove to the roof of our mouths." It was terrible. Suddenly a shrill scream, like the cry of a frightened gull, pierced the stilly air. It was a muffled cry, as if proceeding from beneath a window-seat; and soon the voice was distinguished as saying, "O heavens! its Tull." Poor Freshman! How we pitied you! Our hearts went out to yours in sympathy. Cruel Sophs, to inflict such pain on a Freshman. But still the play went on, and the form was tossed higher than ever. But, presto! these weird spectres suddenly vanished from the scene of their mad orgies into the shades of the hill-side, as a sepulchral voice sounded from the darkness, "Go West, young men!" They

went. The unfortunate Freshman—what else could he be?—fell from mid-air, crashing to the earth, a shapeless mass. The grass was stained, defiled with—saw-dust. What follows surpasses our powers of description.

CLASS STATISTICS.

SENIORS.

Number at entrance.....	15
Number added during course.....	3
Number prematurely graduated.....	10
Transferred from another class.....	1
Total.....	18
Total age of class.....	164 years 4 months
Total height.....	45 feet
Total weight.....	1,117½ lbs
Total bulk.....	48 cubic feet
Average age.....	20 years 6 months
Average height.....	5 feet nine inches
Average weight.....	139½ lbs
Average bulk.....	6 cubic feet
Total length of feet.....	89 inches
Average foot.....	No. 6½
Largest foot.....	" 8
Smallest foot.....	" 5
Gymnasts.....	1
Foot ballists.....	4
Base ballists.....	4
Opposed to unnecessary exertion.....	2
Stand erect.....	All but one
Corpulent.....	1
Not married.....	7
Musicians.....	All buglers
Sing.....	8
Air.....	5
Tenor.....	1
Bass.....	2
Cannot walk without staves.....	7
Use tobacco.....	5
Usually sober.....	4
Usually smiling.....	4
Politics—Republicans.....	7
Democrats.....	1
Prohibitionists.....	0
Woman Suffragists.....	2
Professions—Ministers.....	2
Lawyers.....	4
Doctor.....	1
Merchant.....	1
Nick-names.—Baby, Bird, Bobbie, Deacon, Dodd, Dutchy, Harlem, Jonah.	

EDITORIAL.

The editor, as a person with green spectacles, sees everything in a different light from ordinary mortals. Things that once attracted no special attention to themselves, now, by the peculiar light they are seen in, show imperfections never before noticed, or, perchance, beauties in vain sought for after the editorial spectacles have been laid aside. Our College world presents an endless variety of objects for our inspection, some of these having unfolded no new beauties, after having been carefully watched for three years. We once again scrutinize with that *long, last, lingering look*, in hopes of seeing we know not what. One thing that seems to strike us, on approaching the end of our college course, is the perfect harmony that seems to exist among all the students. To a casual observer this might not be apparent, but nevertheless is true, because it ought to be. The anguish and strain on the heart-strings, at parting from many of our fellow-students, can better be imagined than described. No one knows what he can endure until the hour of trial comes. Many an aching heart is concealed by the smile. So, *dear friends*, if on bidding you good-bye next commencement you detect the smile on the lips, be not deceived—think rather of the grief that *may* be concealed within. The beautiful spirit of preferring yourself before every one else, seems to have even more than its full quota of followers among the students of "Our beloved Alma Mater." There is touchingly illustrated in our College elections the principles of that renowned regiment, all the members of which wanted to hold the office of colonel. To accomplish this wonderful end, unheard of means are employed, oftentimes wonderfully amusing to an uninterested spectator—little subterfuges that would do credit to

a practiced lawyer or political wire puller. Possibly this state of affairs may be common to all our colleges, only being so transparent here on account of our few numbers. We certainly hope such is not the case. The effect of this picture is to cause us to rest the wearied eyes for a moment and wipe the moisture from the green spectacles, before we include in our field of vision some other objects that, until now, we have never had the privilege of speaking about. For some strange reason best known to themselves, the Faculty have treated in dignified silence the much good advice given by former editors and other well-meaning persons. This ignoring of sage advice makes us loth to offer any more; also leads us to think that advice, like medicine, may be administered in such large and frequent doses that even the most robust constitutions may suffer ill effects. Persons knowing few facts must be extremely careful how they jump at great conclusions. The effect produced by giving heed to this well-meant advice is too well illustrated by our old friend Æsop, in his fable of the man and his ass, to need further remark. We are glad to see the chairs of Modern Languages and Mathematics, so long empty, filled by such gentlemen as now occupy them. Praises from all sides attest to the earnest and faithful work they are accomplishing. We only trust that whoever replaces our much respected President may prove as great an honor to Kenyon as those who have so recently increased the number of our Faculty. We may, perhaps, be pardoned for here referring to the many and deep obligations we feel under to our President ex-officio, for the interest he has ever taken in our welfare. Greater credit, we think, is due to him, as, combined with the care and management of the Institution, he had to perform the arduous duties of a professor. Only the initiated can appreciate this constant worry, that makes men old before their time. We sincerely hope he may conclude to remain with us longer; but if his affairs should make it necessary for him to leave, we, as the class of '75, wish him the success that the gentleman and the scholar always merits. Our Faculty, as it now stands, is surpassed by none in this country, save in numbers.

But as the number of students is so small a larger corps of Prof.'s is not needed. Kenyon has no tutors for its lower classes, as is the case with many of our larger colleges. Of this fact we feel justly proud.

Let us glance a moment at the physical advantages of our Alma Mater. There is strong talk of turning the Kokosing to a better use than grinding corn. The dam is to be raised, the channel straightened, boat-houses to be built, and who can tell but at some future day *our* crew may bear home the silver cup. The ground for the new gymnasium, which Sir Noel promised to erect on his return from the halls of his fathers, has been laid out. Everything seems to predict a glorious future for Kenyon. Let us hope no cloud may arise to obscure the clear sky.

We have a few more words to add before we put the glasses in the case, never again to be disturbed. To the Juniors we would suggest, "be virtuous and you will be happy," but you won't have near so good a time. To the Sophs, try and make it both pleasant and lively for the Freshies; remember the Freshies receive from 12 to 2 A.M. To the Freshies we say, for everything you suffer make the next class endure twice as much, for in this way you will increase the number of your class outside of Gambier. And to every one we say, "Occasion's bald behind. Slip not thine opportunity, for fear too late thou seek'st for much but can'st not compass it."

VALEDICTORY.

We fancy very few of the readers of the *Reveille* ever reach the article headed Valedictory; and it is, perhaps, as well for them that they do not, as such a subject is very apt to be dry, especially after reading the more interesting matter in front. Yet, should we omit this customary farewell speech, we have no doubt that the last page of the *Reveille* would be the one most contemplated. So true is it that a departure from the ordinary excites attention, that we, for our part, would willingly do away with the article altogether, in the hope of making the publication more attractive. In accordance with the assumption just made, we are at least at liberty to make this part of our publication as dry as we please. As history is generally so considered, particularly the history of facts, it is our intention to give here a brief account of "'75's" college life. We have given fair warning; all who wish may now withdraw.

We do not desire to set ourselves up as that type of perfection which coming classes shall strive to reach. Rather would we leave our own experience as a guide by which the course of others may glide onward, if possible, more smoothly than our own. Our class has always been a small one, and perhaps we should be thankful for it, as we can only ascribe to this fact our good training in the class-room and good feeling outside of it. And, by the way, Kenyon class of "'75" was not the only small one that entered college that year. In all the colleges throughout the country "'75" was numerically little. We might have thought this owing to "nature's taking a recruiting spell," when on the eve of some mighty effort, if "'76," the supposable product of said effort, had evinced any very remarkable qualities; but, except in numbers, we remember nothing in which she has excelled preceding classes. Our very fair record as Freshmen was somewhat defaced by what we now consider a very Freshman-like action; but being historical, we must, after the manner of that class of writers, be truthful, no matter how much dignity is sacrificed in so doing. After having been duly hazed, in accordance with the

then approved custom, "'75" took it upon herself to give the candidates for "'76," then "Barbs," a foretaste of what should be their Freshman experience. "'75" has done her part in keeping up the *honor* of Kenyon in this respect. "'76," as Freshmen, had not long been inmates of these halls when they were treated to a second edition of their "flight to the stars." So quietly was it accomplished, however, that we doubt if to this day our Faculty are aware that such proceedings ever took place. Sophomore and Junior years passed rapidly away, leaving scarcely an incident worthy of being recorded here. Of course we have suffered the usual amount of persecution from the Faculty, and incipient rebellions, designed to bring the enemy to terms, were of frequent occurrence. However, at the end of our Junior year we began to learn what would have been of much service to us as Freshmen and Sophomores, viz., that "right is might," and that it is much better to suffer persecution than in the end be forced into ignominious terms. Perhaps we have already spoken too much about ourselves. If there be any who think so, we offer the apology, that, as it has been said of certain great men, that their lives are a history of the age in which they lived, so the account of our college life of almost four years is Kenyon's history during that period. Surely a very humble apology for Seniors.

We may be pardoned if we make use of our position to speak a few words to the friends of Kenyon. When on last Commencement day our little town was crowded with those who were supposed to be friends of Kenyon, there was hope that something like enthusiasm might be gotten up in her behalf. It is true many wise speeches were made, and many seemingly warm words uttered. Yet now, though only a few months have passed away, the echoes of the words then spoken, forcibly enough, one would have thought, to have reverberated for a long time to come, have in like manner died away. The meeting of the Diocesan Convention in this place had long been looked forward to as an epoch in Kenyon's history; but what has it effected? From all parts of the State were gathered together those who should have been interested in Kenyon's welfare. They staid a few days, long enough, however, to make an inventory of College affairs, and went back to their work seem-

ingly without a further thought of Kenyon and her prosperity. When just about to sink, the real friends of a drowning man are generally not numerous. There are many calling themselves friends who are afraid to help lest they too go down with him. Friends of Kenyon, is this your sort of friendship? If so, we do not need it. Perhaps we are unjust, but we are apt to be hasty in our decisions when we have waited so long. Has there not been time enough given to set your plans at work? Then, we answer, there never will be time for such elaborate schemes. Now is the time help is needed; not in two or three years. With proper help now Kenyon may be able to help herself by that time. Our Faculty have been unceasing in their efforts; as yet, the *friends* have done nothing. During the present year our Faculty have been increased, an Instructor in Modern Languages procured, our grounds and buildings improved, and for what purpose? Friends of Kenyon, if any such there be, we leave you to answer.

Kind readers, ours would have been a pleasanter task could we have known that you would be pleased with its results. We do not deny its difficulty, and we doubt not we have often laid ourselves open to criticism. Yet you, we feel assured, will not deal harshly with us, if you remember that we have tried to do our best.

It is at a sad time in Kenyon's history that we leave her—sad, we say, because the need of her seems not to be felt, nor her advantages realized. One feels this more deeply when he sees schools established under Episcopalian supervision in the larger cities of the State, designed to prepare students for Yale and Harvard, and not a thought seemingly given to the College which Ohio Episcopalians should, before all others, feel bound to support. Kenyon may no longer be called the "Star of the West." But of what consequence is this to us? The class of "'75" will ever be proud to be remembered among her sons. Old Kenyon! may another year's Reveille proclaim a genuine awakening of interest in your behalf, that, with bettered condition and prospects brightening, a career of enlarged influence may open before you.